



**U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE**  
**Pharmacist Professional Advisory Committee**  
**Department of Health and Human Services**

**GEORGE F. ARCHAMBAULT PHS CAREER ACHIEVEMENT  
AWARD IN PHARMACY COVER SHEET (please print or type)**

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**CANDIDATE'S**

**GRADE/RANK/NAME:** CAPT Timothy W. Ames

**POSITION TITLE:**

Chief, Review Support Branch, Division of Labeling and Program Support

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**PROPOSED CITATION (not to exceed 25 words):**

For his continuous, outstanding leadership in providing pharmaceutical care  
and carrying out the mission of the U.S. Public Health Service for over 30  
years.

**RECOMMENDED BY:**

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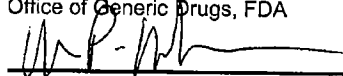
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Office of Generic Drugs, FDA

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SUPERVISOR:**



**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (OPTIONAL):**

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George F. Archambault PHS Career Achievement Award in Pharmacy  
CAPT Timothy W. Ames

**ACCOMPLISHMENT**

CAPT Timothy W. Ames is being nominated for the George F. Archambault PHS Career Achievement Award in Pharmacy for his continuous, outstanding leadership in providing pharmaceutical care and carrying out the mission of the U.S. Public Health Service for over 30 years. CAPT Ames has served as an exemplary leader in the provision of pharmaceutical care in his clinical career beginning with his residency in hospital pharmacy in 1975 until leaving the National Institutes of Health as a clinical research pharmacist in 1992. For the past 14 years with the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Office of Generic Drugs (OGD), he has assured through a scientific and regulatory process that approved generic drugs are safe and effective for the American public. Throughout his career by his dedication to patients' needs he has actualized protecting, promoting and advancing the health and safety of the Nation.

**INTERVENTIONS**

- Completed his American Society of Hospital Pharmacists (ASHP) accredited residency program in June 1976 presenting his residency project "Drug Induced Alterations of the SMA-12", at the 11th Annual Meeting of the USPHS Commissioned Officers Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 1976 and at the 34th Annual APhA-ASHP Meeting, New York, New York, May 1977.
- As Chief Pharmacist USPHS Outpatient Clinic, Honolulu Hawaii, 1978-81 provided unique ambulatory pharmaceutical care by dispensing from patients' charts, earning the first U.S. Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation ever presented to a PHS Clinic.
- As a result of the November 1981 Reduction-in-Strength of the Commissioned Corps, assigned to the Indian Health Service (IHS) Hospital, Tuba City, AZ, as staff pharmacist.
- Became the Clinical Pharmacy Coordinator at the Tuba City IHS Hospital, instituting Clinical Pharmacy In-services for the nursing staff and received the PHS Isolated Hardship Service Ribbon, March 1983.
- Recruited in 1984 by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Clinical Center (CC), Pharmacy Department to become the assistant supervisor, Outpatient Pharmacy Section.
- While at the NIH CC conducted clinical pharmacy studies and ambulatory dispensing studies including: "Evaluating Cost Savings, Cholesterol Control, and Patient Acceptance in Outpatients Changed for Cholestyramine to Colestipol", "An Expert System for the Analysis of Patient Medication Histories", "Computerized Management of Outpatient Prescription Status" and "Outpatient Take Home Meds Order Sets" aimed at improving ambulatory pharmacy care.
- Served as PharmPAC Chair (acting) 1991.
- Successfully negotiated and procured (September 1991- June 1992) an investigational drug source preventing disruption of drug supplies to a pediatric genetic disease population and subsequently awarded the PHS Commendation Medal.
- In August 1992, then CDR Ames became the first commissioned officer in OGD to volunteer to participate in a disaster response as part of the Hurricane Andrew Pharmacy Task Force.

- In 1993-95 CDR Ames participated as a charter member and chairman of the CDER Reviewer Affairs Committee
- CDR Ames was deployed as the night duty officer for the Medical Support Unit for the Northridge (CA) Earthquake Response, January 1994.
- In 1995 CDR Ames assumed the Chief Pharmacist Officer position (1995-2000) on the PHS-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team and subsequently led the pharmacists during the Hurricane Marilyn Response in the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- In 1995-96 CAPT Ames participated on the CDER Staff Manual Workgroup which evaluated then rewrote CDER's policies and procedures.
- In 1996 CAPT Ames was selected to participate in CDER's Leadership Fellows program sponsored by the Council for Excellence in Government.
- In 1996-1998 CAPT Ames became Treasurer for the District of Columbia Commissioned Officers Association (DC COA).
- In 1997 CAPT Ames created and implemented the Office of Generic Drugs' World Wide Web Homepage for the purpose of educating the American Public about generic drugs and the FDA's generic drug approval process.
- In 1999 CAPT Ames successfully nominated the Office of Generic Drugs for Vice President Al Gore's Hammer Award for Reinventing Government.
- In 1998-99 CAPT Ames became the President of the DC COA.
- In September and October 2001 CAPT Ames deployed to the World Trade Center Response and the DC Anthrax Response.
- CAPT Ames was elected as the Pharmacist Category representative to the Commissioned Officers Association (COA) Board of Directors in 2002.
- In 2004 CAPT Ames became Chairman of the Board of COA.
- CAPT Ames selected as the 2005 Washington Metropolitan Society of Health-System Pharmacists "Pharmacist of the Year".
- In 2005 CAPT Ames was selected as CDER's nominee for the position of Chief Pharmacist Officer for the USPHS Commissioned Corps.

## **OUTCOME**

Through all his endeavors CAPT Timothy W. Ames has positively improved the nation's public health through his own individual, concerted efforts and through those endeavors undertaken by organizations with which he has been associated. He has received numerous PHS awards (8 PHS Unit Commendations, a USCG Meritorious Unit Commendation, an Isolated Hardship Award, a Special Assignment Award, the National Emergency Preparedness Award, the PHS Field Medical Readiness Badge, 5 Crisis Response Service Awards, USN Letter of Commendation, 2 PHS Citations, and the PHS Commendation Medal) as well as many civilian awards (Certificate of Appreciation for PHS PharmPAC, 1992, FDA, CDER, Special Recognition Award, 1997, FDA, CDER, Center Director's Special Citation, 1998, etc.) His creation of the OGD World Wide Web homepage, one of the most visited of all FDA internet sites, is likely his most significant single public health accomplishment as it has significantly benefited the nation by providing information on new generic approvals, a comprehensive resource for the generic pharmaceutical industry and an explanation of the FDA's generic drug approval process. It became the basis for the FDA's 2003-2005 public awareness campaign "Generic Drugs: Safe. Effective. FDA Approved." These achievements are evidence that throughout his career he has demonstrated continuous outstanding leadership as a commissioned officer and pharmacist in carrying out the mission of the PHS through his involvement in numerous commissioned corps activities and professional pharmacy affairs. For his exemplary career, CAPT Timothy W. Ames is nominated for the George F. Archambault PHS Career Achievement Award in Pharmacy.